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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Harald Gross

SERIAL NO.: 10/006,306

FILED: December 6, 2001

FOR: THICK THERMAL OXIDE LAYERS AND
ISOLATION REGIONS IN A SILICON-CONTAINING
SUBSTRATE FOR HIGH VOLTAGE APPLICATIONS

§ GROUP ART UNIT: 1765

§ EXAMINER: B. X. Tran

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**AMENDMENT "A" UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111
TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

**Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**

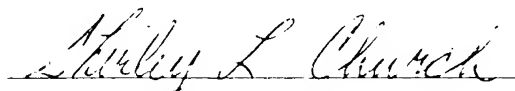
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is applicant's Amendment "A" in response to the Office Action mailed May 19, 2003, in the subject patent application, having a shortened statutory period for response of August 19, 2003.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as U.S. EXPRESS MAIL NO. ER074143165US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	31	minus	32	0	x	\$18.00	\$00.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5	minus	5	0	x	\$84.00	\$00.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			0			\$280.00	\$00.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT							\$00.00
TOTAL FEE DUE							\$00.00

Applicant does not believe that any fee is due in connection with the filing of this Amendment "A". However, in the event that any additional fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1512 of Shirley L. Church, Sunnyvale, California, in the amount of such fee.

This transmittal letter is submitted in duplicate for accounting purposes.

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Claims 1 - 32 are pending in the application.

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